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GAME DEALER ORDERED TO FORFEIT SLOT MACHINES

San Diego, CA (July 2, 2003) — Olhausen Game Rooms, Inc. was ordered to forfeit five slot machines and pay a \$2,500 fine as a result of a criminal case filed by the San Diego City Attorney's Consumer and Environmental Protection Unit and settled in San Diego Superior Court today. Deputy City Attorney Joan McNamara of the Consumer and Environmental Protection Unit said, "The case was initiated and investigated by the California Department of Justice, Division of Gaming Control and forwarded to the City Attorney's Office for prosecution. The illegal slot machines will be forfeited to the Department of Justice and destroyed."

The criminal case alleged that Olhausen Game Rooms, Inc. unlawfully possessed five slot machines and offered them for sale at the Olhausen Game Room Superstore. Olhausen Game Rooms, Inc. pleaded guilty to unlawful possession of the slot machines. San Diego Superior Court Commissioner Theodore Weathers also ordered the corporation to serve three years probation, pay for a mailing to all retail billiard and game room dealers warning against the sale of illegal slot machines, and pay a \$200 restitution fine.

In California, it is unlawful to own, possess, display for sale, or sell slot machines, unless they are antique machines, over twenty-five years old, and not used for gambling purposes. Slot machines may be displayed at trade shows and, with federal registration, may be sold, stored, or manufactured for transportation outside California.

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